

HEALTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

February 22, 2011

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Rhonda Allen
Commissioner Carol Cook
Commissioner Will Jordan
Commissioner Jeff Phillips
Commissioner Chantho Sourinho
Commissioner Brad Turner
Commissioner Jeff Jordan, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess
Jeff Sandvig
Gary Clardy
Don Odom
Terri Cobb
Macy Tollett
Kelly Medford
Harry Gill
Dana Garrett
Wayne Blair
Rhonda Helton
Ethan Cobb
Bill Tollett
Brian Lewis

Brian Haley, Sama Pyemeniewski, Jennifer Cooper, Christin Bryant, Samantha Jackson, Amy Kendrick, Clay Minatra, Tiffany Jones, Mary Alice Curtis, Jennifer Snell, Pam Vaughn, Pam Ledwell, John Ledwell,

Chairman J. Jordan presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Cook, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

COMMUNITY CARE REPORT:

The Committee was provided the February 3, 2011 minutes of the Community Care Board. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Cook, to approve the Community Care report. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORT:

The Committee was provided the written Special Projects report for the use and information of the Committee being advised there was nothing new from the last report. Following discussion,

"Commissioner W. Jordan moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Special Projects report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Dana Garrett presented the Health Department report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve the Health Department report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Garrett next provided copies of the Health Department (Account #55110), Dental (Account #55160) and Other Local Health Services (Account #55190) budgets for review by the Committee advising the same have been approved by the County Mayor. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Health Department (Account #55110), Dental (Account #55160) and Other Local Health Services (Account #55190) budgets and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT:

Superintendent Harry Gill first advised the school system was the third largest contributing work force in the County behind Rich's and Publix in the United Way campaign.

The Committee was next reminded the Budget Committee sent back the matter of the Eagleville High School addition for the Committee to make a recommendation as to the funding of the design and to determine if the design will be for Phase One, Phase Two or both. Superintendent Gill advised the savings from the Oakland and Whitworth Buchanan Middle Schools should cover the \$350,000 needed to proceed with design for both Eagleville additions. Mr. Gill further advised the Budget Committee would like the Board to proceed with the design phase for both Eagleville additions to have firm costs for the additions when the bids for Stewarts Creek High are opened and the Commission is finalizing the 2011/12 construction and debt service budgets. The plan discussed at the Budget Committee February 10, 2011 involved using any savings when the Stewarts Creek High bid is awarded as potential funding for Eagleville. The \$350,000 in design fees for both Eagleville additions will be funded internally within the building program until an end-of-project clean up amendment is brought forward for the Oakland and Whitworth Buchanan Middle Schools projects to the Board and Commission.

Mr. Gill advised it has never been discussed at the Board level to close the high school at Eagleville.

Gary Clardy advised when the work is bid they will bid both phases with Phase 2 being an alternate bid.

The Committee was reminded Phase I is the cafeteria renovation removing the stage, a 400 seat auditorium, 12 classrooms, band and choral rooms, restrooms and storage area. Phase II is on the east end and provides for 10 classrooms and restrooms with a basement that can be used by boosters as locker rooms.

The Committee was advised the City of Eagleville is trying to get sewer to the property but the current system is not a problem. Commissioner Cook advised when sewer is put in the area may boom like LaVergne did and questioned if the current projects provided enough classrooms. Superintendent Gill advised Phases I and II should take the school four to six years down the road as they are expanding the core now and classrooms are the cheapest thing to build. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Cook, to approve the use of \$350,000 in internal funding from the Oakland and Whitworth Buchanan Middle Schools projects to fund the design fees for both Eagleville additions until an Oakland and Whitworth Buchanan Middle Schools end-of-project clean up amendment is brought forward to the Board and Commission. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

DAVID YOUREE DISCUSSION:

This topic was on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Brad Turner to determine if the school renovation needed to be moved forward in the five year plan and whether school safety was affected. Commissioner Turner advised in talking with staff and parents they feel safety is adequate. Superintendent Gill advised the bleachers are on hold as there is currently no revenue source. Mr. Gill advised they have no money to move the project up but do plan to start the design October, 2011 with completion by the Fall of 2013 as the work has to be done in the Summer. Chairman J. Jordan advised the building is secure but inconvenient for staff and the improvements will help.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Phillips next advised he had concerns when watching the Budget Committee meeting as it appeared the Budget Committee was sending the Eagleville School renovation on without it coming to the Health & Education Committee. Commissioner Phillips advised he subsequently learned the Health & Education Committee had reviewed the matter February, 2010 and sent the design of the Eagleville expansion to the Budget Committee. Commissioner Phillips advised this was the recommendation of the prior Health & Education Committee, not the current Committee and there had even been an election in the interim. Commissioner Phillips questioned whether it was a valid recommendation and how long a motion is valid. As a point of order, it appeared the matter had not been fully discussed in the committee process and it should have been discussed at last month's Health & Education Committee before going to the Budget Committee. Commissioner W. Jordan suggested Steering Committee should review how long a Committee recommendation can hang and if it can last after the life of that Committee. There may need to be a system for unfinished business. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner W. Jordan, to forward a request to the Steering Committee as to how long a recommendation from a Committee can hang, an example being the recommendation from the Health & Education Committee February, 2010 which was not acted upon until after an election and different Committee appointments. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman J. Jordan declared the meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

JEFF JORDAN, Chairman